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In response to the Official Action of 07/23/04, for which a response was due 10/23/04, now extended one month to 11/23/04, the Applicants respond as follows:

Amendments to the Claims:

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Remarks (Including request to remove the

finality of the rejection over new art):

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